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DEPUTIES' MEETING

Friday, 2 August 1957

PRESENT: General Cabell, Mr. Wisner, Mr. Amory,
Messrs. Lloyd, [redacted], [redacted] Sheldon, [redacted]

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General Cabell:

a) Referred to the Senior Staff meetings held on the first Monday of each month and commented he strongly felt that each Deputy should make a point to raise items of general interest at these meetings. It was agreed therefore that the following be discussed at the meeting to be held on Monday, 5 August: DD/P -- RI problem or some other item of DD/P choice; DD/I -- Scientific Attaché Program; DD/S -- Budget matters and the 46 questions asked by Congressman Sheppard; DD/C -- Progress report on the revision of NSCIDs.

b) Noted that from reading the cables on the assassination of Castillo Armas he was more or less convinced that the derogatory information on the assassin had been placed in a special file and was not made available to the proper people in the Guatemalan Security Service. He commented through oversight or desire to limit distribution of information on an eyes only basis without cross reference or flagging CIA could be guilty of a similar incident. He therefore directed that steps be taken to insure against this "happening here".

c) Read to those present a proposed paper prepared by the Director of Security and General Counsel modernizing the Agency's Polygraph Program. Exceptions were taken to the following points and it was agreed that a review of these points would be made as indicated: 1) Consultants -- Acting DCI; 2) Polygraph for wives employed at foreign stations on a contract basis -- DD/P; 3) Release of interviews -- Acting DCI.

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d) Noted that the Director had briefly reported on his talk with Mr. [redacted] on Wednesday, 31 July, and stated Mr. [redacted] had indicated that the Committee would welcome our putting to it problems or tasks that they might look into. General Cabell said it was the Director's distinct understanding that the Committee wanted to be helpful in solving problems in any field of our endeavor. ACTION: Those present to make available to the Director a list of problems in which the Committee might lend assistance in solving for consideration and presentation to the Board at its September meeting. It was suggested and agreed that Mr. [redacted] offer of assistance would be announced at the Senior Staff meeting on 5 August.

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Mr. Wisner:

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Noted that the C/S [redacted] had requested the source of the information contained in [redacted] for Station use only. In view of the 25X1A6a sensitivity of this source it was agreed that there was no real need for the Station to have it. Should the Station require this information for some external use approval would have to be obtained from the Department of State.

ACTION: DD/P.

Mr. Sheldon:

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Referred to the proposed combined U.S. [redacted] Air Defense Command and asked General Cabell if we knew anything about this proposal. General Cabell said that he did not and would suggest that Mr. Amory explore it with the Air Force and consider assigning a liaison officer to the headquarters command post.

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